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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

App. No. 10/623,936  
Applicant: James R. Keene  
Filed: 07/21/2003  
Title: Weep Venting System for Masonry Walls  
Art Unit: 3635  
Examiner: Robert J. Canfield  
Docket No. KEEN.00005

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**PETITION TO WITHHOLD THE HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT**  
**UNDER 37 CFR 1.181(a)**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Abandonment of 02/02/2006, Applicant respectfully submits this Petition to Withhold the Holding of Abandonment" under 37 CFR 1.181(a). Because of the reasons noted below, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the holding of abandonment of the above-referenced patent application.

Applicant encloses herewith a copy of an Amendment after Final Rejection under 37 CFR 1.116 ("Amendment") that was filed in response to an Office Action of 06/28/2005. The Amendment includes a Certificate of Mailing, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.8, that was signed by the undersigned to this Petition on 28 August 2006. The undersigned hereby attests that the undersigned personally deposited the Amendment on the date indicated on the Certificate of Mailing in a USPS mailbox. Because the

Amendment was deposited within the three month period for reply, it is respectfully submitted that the reply was timely submitted.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia, 22313-1450 on the date indicated below.

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